

Newsline Extra features time-sensitive information about State Library programs and current news of interest to the Missouri library community.

# Summer reading program materials distributed to libraries

The 2006 Summer Reading Program Start-Up kits are now on their way to Missouri public libraries. As in the past, the kits are being mailed to library system headquarters, where staff can divide the contents among the library branches and bookmobiles.

Each kit contains a program planning manual for "Paws, Claws, Scales, and Tales" and "Creature Feature," the new themes for children and teens. Also enclosed are 2006 Collaborative Summer Library Program (CSLP) merchandise order forms and catalog from Highsmith.

The kits contain five certificate masters: a reader certificate for children, a reader certificate for teens, two certificates to present to schools, and a volunteer certificate to present to individuals or businesses who contribute to your summer library program.

Most importantly, the kits contain one voucher for each library system. These vouchers can be used like coupons when orders are placed from 2006 CSLP merchandise catalog. Please read the voucher language carefully and follow the instructions. The value of the voucher is based on each library's service area youth population (ages 0-17).

The Missouri Department of Elementary and Secondary Education (DESE) paid for all Missouri public schools to become members of the CSLP for the 2006 program and purchased planning manuals for all the public schools. This will enhance the ability of public libraries and public schools to work in cooperation to develop and implement summer library programs for the youth of the community.

If you have any questions about the summer reading program or the merchandise voucher, please contact Nancee Dahms-Stinson at 800-325-0131, ext. 5, or <a href="mailto:nancee.dahms-stinson@sos.mo.gov">nancee.dahms-stinson@sos.mo.gov</a>.

#### Annual celebration features Missouri authors

Six Missouri authors will read from their works at the <u>Missouri Center for the Book's</u> 12th Annual Celebration of the Book at the Schlafly branch of the <u>St. Louis Public Library</u> on November 19, 2005. The event is free and open to the public and Left Bank Books will provide copies of the authors' works for purchase. Please come by the Schlafly branch and celebrate Missouri's literary gifts with:

- Eric Brende 10 a.m.
- Cathi LaMarche 11 a.m.
- Missouri Smith 12 p.m.
- Richard Newman 1 p.m.
- Mary Jo Bang 2 p.m.
- <u>Eileen Drever</u> 3 p.m.

#### Learn about digitization at upcoming events

Two events sponsored by <u>Virtually Missouri</u>, the <u>Missouri State Library</u>, and <u>MLNC</u> will introduce participants to the digitization process and the organizations in Missouri who promote and support it. Both sessions are offered at no charge to Missouri library employees.

On November 16, an outreach session at the Central Library in Kansas City will familiarize participants with Virtually Missouri. The session will include speakers from Truman Library and the Kansas City Public Library sharing their successful digitization projects, as well as details about the digital imaging grant program from the state library. Participants can also share their own experiences and situations regarding current or potential digitization projects. Registration is due November 9 and available at <a href="https://www.virtuallymissouri.org/training/training.aspx">www.virtuallymissouri.org/training/training.aspx</a>.

On December 8, MLNC will host a workshop titled "Basic Copyright Issues for Digital Materials." Participants will learn about the Digital Millennium Copyright Act, ownership, public domain, and privacy issues; how digital primary source materials differ from traditional materials; intellectual property analysis; permissions issues and institutional risk tolerance; and developing institutional policies for digital materials. Registration is available at <a href="https://www.mlnc.org/Workshops/copyrightdigital.html">www.mlnc.org/Workshops/copyrightdigital.html</a>

## Letters about Literature due December 1

The deadline is quickly approaching for entries in the <u>2006 Letters About Literature</u> <u>contest</u>. Encourage your young patrons to write a letter to their favorite author and they could win cash prizes, Target GiftCards, or an expenses-paid trip to Washington, D.C.

The trip to our nation's capital is the national prize in the writing contest for readers in grades 4 through 12. To enter, readers write a personal letter to an author, explaining how his or her work changed their view of the world or themselves.

Judges from <u>Missouri Center for the Book</u> will select top essayists in the state and honor those students at a ceremony in Jefferson City in mid-April. Entries from the first place winners in Missouri are also submitted to the national competition.

For more information or to download entry forms, visit the Missouri Center for the Book's Letters About Literature Web site at <a href="https://books.missouri.org/lal/2006/index.html">books.missouri.org/lal/2006/index.html</a>.

# Web seminar on library services for older adults

On November 17 at 2 p.m. C.S.T, <u>OPAL (Online Programs for All Libraries)</u> will host a free Web-based program on "Library Services for Older Adults: Preview of the White House Conference on Aging."

Allan M. Kleiman, one of the few librarian delegates participating in the December White House Conference on Aging (WHCoA), is the featured speaker. He will review the key points of a position paper prepared by the American Library Association for this conference, and will lead a discussion of the long-term challenges and opportunities of providing library services for older adults.

Session attendees must have a computer with an Internet connection, sound card, and speakers. There is no charge or registration required. Participants should go to <a href="http://67.19.231.218/v4/login.asp?r=67955673&p=0">http://67.19.231.218/v4/login.asp?r=67955673&p=0</a>, type their name, and click enter. A small software applet will be downloaded to participants' computers.

For more information on OPAL or this program, contact Tom Peters, OPAL Coordinator at (816) 228-6406, or <a href="mailto:tpeters@tapinformation.com">tpeters@tapinformation.com</a>.

### Briefing instructs on resources for the aging

"Building Public Awareness of the Aging Network's Resources" will be the upcoming National Council on Aging/Caresource Healthy Aging Briefing. This Web and audio conference will take place on November 17, 2005, from 2:30 p.m. - 3 p.m. C.S.T.

Denise Klein, executive director of senior services, will give insight into why many organizations in the aging network are struggling to increase their visibility in the community. Attendees also will hear about creative models that area agencies on aging, senior centers, and other aging network providers are testing to best increase public awareness about their services. To register, e-mail <a href="mailto:briefings@ncoa.org">briefings@ncoa.org</a> by November 15. All first-time briefing participants will receive a free copy of <a href="mailto:Aging in Stride">Aging in Stride</a> (<a href="www.aginginstride.org/">www.aginginstride.org/</a>). For information and directions, go to <a href="www.ncoa.org/content.cfm?sectionid=272">www.ncoa.org/content.cfm?sectionid=272</a>.

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